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: CARRIER FOR DISK DRIVE HOT SWAPPING

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows:

In the specification:

Replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 1 with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- This application is a divisional application of U.S. Serial Number 09/264,650, filed

March 8, 1999, now pending issue. --

In the claims:

Amend claim 15 as follows:

(Amended) An electromagnetic interference shield attached to a disk drive

carrier, said electromagnetic interference shield comprising:

a frontal plate comprising an opening through the frontal plate configured to permit air to pass through the frontal plate;

a side panel connected at a substantially right angle to the frontal plate and extending rearwardly; and

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